

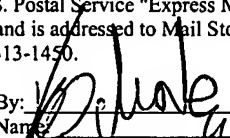


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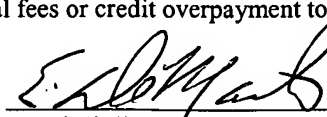
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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 12, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 5 of the paper and include attached replacement sheets.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.